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For: LUER RECEIVING MEDICAL VALVE AND
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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

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REMARKS

This Application is a Continuation of allowed Reissue Application No. 09/140,413 filed August 26, 1998 which has been allowed and which is about to Issue as a Reissue Patent. In accordance with current PTO Practice and as stated in 37 CFR §1.77 as revised September 8, 2000 and effective November 7, 2000, the same claim of the patent being reissued may not be presented in its original unamended form for examination in more than one of multiple reissue applications. Because the claims of Patent No. 5,549,651 were presented in original and/or amended form in copending reissue application no. 09/140,413, the original unamended claims of the patent are canceled hereinabove to avoid a double patenting rejection over the about to issue copending Reissue application no. 09/140,413. Claims 1-23 are canceled herein without prejudice to their re-entry herein in the event the copending reissue application containing the same does not ultimately issue.